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DIVISION OF
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CERTIFIED MAIL—Return Receipt Requested

Honorable Michael O. Leavitt
Governor of Utah
Utah State Capitol
Room 210
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Dear Governor Leavitt:

On March 4, 1991, Genwal Coal Company filed a coal lease application which was assigned Serial No. UTU-68082, commonly referred to as the Crandall Canyon Tract. Mr. Ronald Daniels of your office was notified of this application and other pending coal applications on August 6, 1991.

The environmental assessment (EA) for leasing of the Crandall Canyon Tract was prepared jointly by the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management with the Office of Surface Mining and Reclamation participating as a cooperating agency. The Finding of No Significant Impact/Decision Notice (FONSI/DN) was approved October 24, 1993. In accordance with Secretary of Agriculture Appeal Regulations at 36 CFR 217, this decision is subject to appeal within 45 days of the date of publication. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the EA and the FONSI/DN.

The coal resource to be offered as the Crandall Canyon Tract consists of all coal recoverable in the following described lands located in Emery County within the Manti-LaSal National Forest, approximately 15 miles northwest of Huntington, Utah:

T. 15 S., R. 6 E., SLM, Utah
Sec. 25, S2;
Sec. 26, S2;
Sec. 35, all.
T. 15 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Utah
Sec. 30, lots 7-12, SE;
Sec. 31, lots 1-12, NE, N2SE, SWSE.
T. 16 S., R. 6 E., SLM, Utah
Sec. 1, lots 1-12, SW.
T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Utah
Sec. 6, lots 2-4, SWNE.

Containing 2,979.49 acres

The Bureau of Land Management is tentatively proposing to hold a coal sale for the Crandall Canyon Tract in late December 1993 or early January 1994. You should be aware this is the Crandall Canyon Tract listed in Section 7 (a) of Public Law 103-93, The Utah Schools and Lands Improvement Act of 1993, for possible transfer to the State of Utah to help satisfy the equal value for state inholdings. Once leased this tract may not be available for selection by the State under this Act.

In accordance with the regulations at 43 CFR 3420.4-3, we are requesting your recommendations as to whether to lease the above described lands. Although the regulations allow 30 days for your comments, your earliest response would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

/s/ James M. Parker

James M. Parker
State Director

Enclosures

1-EA (10pps)

2-FONSI/DN (77pps)

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